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In re the Application of

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 98, Applicants call the attention of the Patent Office to the references listed on attached Form PTO 1449. Enclosed FR '154 also published as cited US '229.

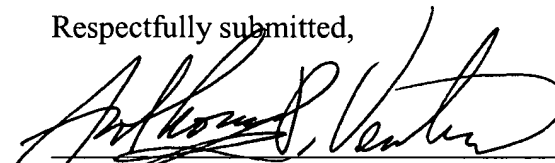
Applicants present these references so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rule 104. Applicants respectfully request that these references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "Reference Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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